

## DIPLOMAS GIVEN TO CLASS OF '09

Closing Ceremonies Mark End of Year at William and Mary.

AN "LL. D." FOR P. A. BRUCE

Norfolk Man Is Honored by Ancient Institution at Williamsburg.

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At 11 o'clock, the faculty, preceded by the senior class, all attired in caps and gowns, entered the chapel to a slow march played by the band. The chapel itself was arrayed in holiday attire, gay streamers of bunting, orange and white, floating from every crevice and corner, and the grave-looking faces of the professors and illustrious alumni of an ancient day seemed to look down from the walls with approval upon the bestowal of diplomas upon the graduates and students who have distinguished themselves in college work.

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GAIN IN IMPROVEMENTS

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**Resigns Position.** Dr. R. H. Sharp, for many years professor of Latin at the Randolph-Macon Woman's College, has resigned to go upon the Carnegie Foundation. Dr. Sharp's resignation was conditioned that he should retire as professor of Latin, emeritus.

**Final Examinations.** The final examinations of the pupils of the schools have been practically completed, and the students throughout the city are now awaiting the word to know whether or not they are to be promoted for next session. The indications are now that the High School will overflow again next year.

**Delay in Plant.** Although the McWane Tidewater Pipe Company, which is backed by Lynchburg capital, has purchased a site in Norfolk county for a pipe mill and secured a State charter, actual work will not be started on the plant before autumn, the reasons for this step not being given out for publication. H. E. McWane, of this city, who is president of the company, owning the mill here and at Radford, is charged with the murder, will be placed on trial to-morrow morning. A venire of 135 talesmen from this city has been summoned.

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## NEGRO SMILES AS VERDICT IS READ

Second Conviction of Murder in First Degree in Schultz Case.

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Pines gave a smile as the verdict was read. He said that the jury could not give any other verdict according to the evidence, although he denied being guilty of the crime. The jury that convicted Pines was from Fairfax county.

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A hardware drummer named Hunt, in attempting to cross Morris's Run, near Kilmarnock, this morning with horse and buggy, got into deep water. When the horse began to swim Hunt jumped out and made for the western side of the run, while the horse turned around and went back to Kilmarnock, causing the people to believe Hunt had been drowned until he appeared later with his clothes wet and bedraggled.

All the low lying land is covered with water, and in many places there are lakes that will float boats.

Great damage has been done to growing crops. It is now impossible to estimate the loss. No loss of life has been reported.

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Impossible to Proceed in Face of Remarkable Storm.

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Roanoke two trains were running with a block of each other. The foremost ran into the storm mile or two west of Shawsville, in Montgomery county. The wind blew a gale, uprooting many trees, and the howling of the tempest, with the tremendous clatter of the hail stones on the sides and tops of the coaches, made a deafening din. Men turned pale and were cried in terror. The engineer shut off steam and brought his train to a standstill. He could not have proceeded far had he tried, for the hail was six inches to a foot deep in places. No could see a foot ahead the length of his engine. The train following was held back by the block system.

Uprooted trees on every hand bore mute evidence to the force of the wind; the fall of water in the uplands was beaten into the earth, and the lowlands were covered with water. All vegetation was beaten down. Branches were torn from trees and scattered far and near. Trees with tender bark were even skinned, and wooden houses will their sides received, and the bills for window glass to replace that destroyed will be considerable.

**Luxated Thirteen Horses.** (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ONAKE, VA., June 10.—A succession of electric storms, lasting thirteen hours, with continuous rains, prevailed on the Virginia Eastern Shore yesterday afternoon and last night. The fall of water in the uplands was beaten into the earth, and the lowlands were covered with water. All vegetation was beaten down. Branches were torn from trees and scattered far and near. Trees with tender bark were even skinned, and wooden houses will their sides received, and the bills for window glass to replace that destroyed will be considerable.

**Storm Was Unprecedented.** ROANOKE, VA., June 10.—A special from Buchanan says the neighborhood of Collierstown, in Rockbridge county, twelve miles west of Lexington, was visited by the most destructive hail storm ever known here. That section of the State late yesterday. Over an area ten miles in length and more than a half-mile wide, all vegetation was totally destroyed. Wheat, corn and garden vegetables were driven to the earth. Hail caused in ravines to the depth of two feet or more. Farms were absolutely ruined, all the soil being washed from the uplands.

Parties from the scene of devastation to-day declare that such desolation extended for miles, was never before witnessed by the oldest inhabitants of the country. An idea can be obtained as to the great damage done when out of entire fields of heading wheat, not a single stalk was left standing. The loss will amount to many thousands of dollars.

**Dispossession of Property.** (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NORFOLK, VA., June 10.—In the suit of Hunter against Hicks and others from Norfolk, decided in the Supreme Court of Appeals at Wytheville, to-day, a large number of property-owners lose title to the land upon which their property stands in Hunterville, a suburb of Norfolk. The court sustains the contention of the Hunter heirs that conveyances based upon an original deed between husband and wife for miles, and present owners must buy their lands over again or lose them.

**Corner-Stone Is Laid.** (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., June 10.—The corner-stone of Deville county's new \$40,000 courthouse was laid to-day with ceremonies by the Grand Lodge of Masons, the exercises being conducted by Grand Master S. M. Galt, of Hillsboro. It has been the grand master said it was most appropriate that the order of Masons should have a part in the exercises, as the county is named after a grand master of the order, General William Richardson Davis, who was the first grand master of the North Carolina Grand Lodge.

**Hurled to His Death.** (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) GATE CITY, VA., June 10.—George W. Salling, aged thirty-eight years, was killed by a passenger train at Starnes Bend on the Carolina, Clinchfield and Ohio Railroad to-day. He ran across the track in front of the train, and was hurled against a freight car. A family of five survives him.

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The St. Louis-Colorado Limited, Electric Lighted, to Colorado, Utah, California, Oregon and Washington, via the

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